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1. In the vicinity of Sirok (J 46) in the Mátra Mountains, there is an underground ammunition factory. It was built by 360-380 prisoners from the Recsk hard labor camp.
 - a. Shortly before February 1952 the factory began operating at one-fourth capacity. It supplies the Hungarian infantry with ammunition for pistols, submachine guns, rifles, and heavy artillery.
 - b. About 20 men, who transferred from the Mátyás Rákosi Works in Csepel, have been made foremen of this plant. Three of these are József Matulas, Béla Doronya, and Ferő Máthé.
 - c. Soviet control officers are at the plant.
2. The Metal Products and Machine Tool Factory National Enterprise, which is located at Soroksári Street 158, Budapest, ships by trucks and rail five tons of rifles, machine guns and pistols to the USSR daily. The cases are marked with the
 - a. The "H" department is separated from the rest of the plant. Its skilled workers live in the factory, and are accompanied by government agents whenever they leave the premises.
 - b. Internal security in the factory is furnished by the AVH. The outside area is guarded by black-uniformed factory police.

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